Project Factsheet for: Saylorville Lake, Water Storage Space Contract

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Project Location Information

Location: Saylorville Lake, Iowa **River Basin(s):** Des Moines / Skunk

State(s): IA

Congressional District(s): IA-3, IA-4

Status

Contract is ongoing.

The contract was originally entered into May 26th, 1982. The State of Iowa has the option to modify the contract now that 25 years have passed. A letter is being sent to the Iowa Department of Natural Resources to determine whether or not they desire to modify the existing contract.

Description

This contract is an agreement between the State of Iowa and the United States of America for approximately 14,900 acre-feet of water to be kept in reserve at Saylorville Lake, stored between elevations 812.0 and 836.0 National Geodetic Vertical Datum. The State has the right to withdraw water from this reserve during periods of drought and low flow on the Des Moines River.

Authority

OM - Operations and Maintenance -- Water Supply Act of 1958

Additional Information

In May 2007, Des Moines Water Works is reviewing the contract with the state submitted several questions regarding the process it would take to even consider a pool raise for increased water supply storage. These questions are being reviewed by OC and EC.

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